Big Valley.

(Crowded out for lack of space last week.) Health is the vital principle of

Mrs. Groves and daughter Lillian are on the sick list.

Wm. Banks passed through Big Valley last Friday. Foreman Banks is chief cook at

the Joe Stuart ranch. Buster Dew is riding a pitch fork

and herding cattle nowadays. J. W. Groves went to Johnstown last Thursday after a load of corn.

Miss Anna Tillson closed a most successful term of school in district No. 86 last Friday.

We un lerstand that Joe Kennicot is intending to go to Wyoming follow the cattle trail.

We saw some fish last Sunday that Dave Groves caught some where, but we don't know just where.

David Groves has begun to shovel hay. He will be a little soft we expect after going to school all win-

David Richardson and son Arthu passed through Big Valley last week from the lakes where they had been trapping. They report the rats almost all caught.

A report from Minnesota says there were three weddings in one family the same day. Of course this is leap year but they hadn't ought to all leap at once.

(This week's items.)

Jesse Brosius has some hay t sell cheap.

Clarence Groves went to town the middle of last week.

Willis Barnard passed through here one day last week.

Mr. Harris passed through Big Valley last Thursday.

David Groves has been hauling hav since shhool was out.

Love can neither be bought nor sold, but it may be exchanged. Billy Brosius is working for Joe

Cochran in his brother Jesse place. J. W. Groves was a caller at Wil-

son Bros. ranch and day last week.

Mrs. Joe Leader is visiting in Chadron. We suppose Joe makes a good housekeeper.

A great many are trying alfalfa tors of force in position. And so it is on in this part of the county, but we do not think it will be a success.

March came in like a timid, pit. ful, bleating lamb. That is a sign that it will go out like a wild and roaring lion.

Last Wednesday was quite breezy in Big Valley. The wind turned over sever al hay stacks and raised up a little sand.

It seems queer that Dave Groves does not go over to Will Smith's any more. Ail winter he has been going there from two to six times a week.

We noticed a question in the Woodlake something like this: 'If a man goes to town to buy his wife a silk dress and himself a jug of whiskey and a plug of tobacca, which would he forget?" We are not sure that he would forget either, but if he did, it most surely would be the silk dress.

BIG VALLEY WIZZARD.

Now is the time to get your insurance on your buildings and stock. Storms have already begun and if you are without insurance it will be your neglect. It costs but a trifle to insure against fire, lightning and tornadoes in the best state companies. They are represented by I. M. Rice, Valentine, Nebr.

One of the best sales of registered cattle ever held in Northern Ne- position. braska will be the Hereford offering to be mace at Plainview, Neb. Friday, March 25, 1904, by L. L. Young, of Oakland, Neb., and Holt Bros., of Laurel, Neb. Fifty-five animals of the very best Hereford blood strains will be offered. The the two annexes ready to receive the sale will attract for miles and breeders will be in attendance from far and near. Read the advertisement elsewhere in this paper, and write L. L. Young, Oakland, Neb. for catalogue.

WORLD'S FAIR NEARLY READY

Plans For Installing Exhibits Complete, and Work Is Being Rapidly Pushed---Transportation Companies Have Solved the Problem of Caring For Increased Freight Traffic.

AITH the opening days of 1904 and other wizards, transferring bare work on the Louisiana Purchase walls into places of enchantment. Exposition passed into the last | By an arrangement recently made behibits and beautifying.

into position, so that the dawn of 1904 buildings.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, IN FRONT OF THE

ELECTRICITY BUILDING, WORLD'S FAIR.

shows nearly all of these modern crea-

Agriculture hill. Nine months ago thou-

sands of rosebushes were planted in

order that they might gain strength

from long tenure of the soil, and in like

were in place long before snow com-

Tracks are laid in the huge Palace of

Transportation, and turntables have

been placed on solid concrete founda-

tions. These are being burdened with

locomotives of the latest construction

In other palaces floor space that has

and with modernly equipped coaches.

menced to fall.

stage, that of installation of ex- tween a transportation company and the railroads it is believed there will be Yet progress on these final touches no delay in delivering the many train has kept pace with the work of con- loads of exhibits within the gates of

struction for a major portion of the last the Exposition. Extensive preparations twelve months, so that the line of de- have been perfected to handle all markation between actual building op- freight that comes into the city, and, in erations and final endeavor is difficult addition to service by a system of big to indicate. Thus, even while roofers drays-some propelled by steam, others were employed on the Palace of Ma- drawn by horses-which is designed for chinery, the great steel crane, itself an the smaller shipments, car load lots exhibit, was swinging parts of engines will enter direct over the several switch that might well be called mammoth lines that wind in and out between the

In order that no delay might be caused by severity of the weather the Exposition management looked especially to the construction of the roadbeds during the late fall of 1903, and now there is no danger that heavy drays will be stalled in soft, muddy places, but all can proceed on a smooth, hard surface to the place of destination. Acting in accord with the general spirit of facilitating rapid installation, the Terminal Railroad Association, which controls all shipments of freight delivered by roads from the east, has doubled its capacity for handling freight in both the St. Louis and East St. Louis yards, and it is now believed that during the busies? weeks, which will undoubtedly be those of March and April, there will be no congestion across the two big bridges that span the Mississippi. Should there be, however, resort can be had to the ferry service, which also has been increased in order to care for any emergency

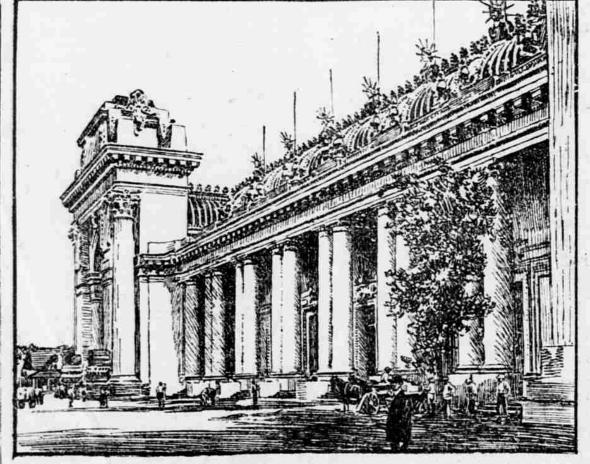
Shippers all agree that freight is arriving in St. Louis better today than ever before, and this notwithstanding the fact that the terminal facilities are not quite completed and that a number of tracks cannot be operated because of laborers being engaged in their reconstruction. A recent test proved that a consignment of freight from Boston was delivered in a building on the Fair grounds seven days after its shipment from a warehouse in that eastern city, and all persons who have any knowledge of such matters must admit that this is very fair time.

As for the western roads, they all have spurs leading direct to the Exposition, and in many instances cars can be switched direct into the grounds without even a day's detention in the

Those who have the work of delivering exhibits in charge say that they can keep pace with the men who do the installing, and that, unless the unforeseen occurs, there should be no delay in filling the palaces with the wares that will comprise the wenderful dis-

manner other exhibits of nurserymen | play. The situation is very satisfactory to all concerned, and the general belief is that St. Louis will not only have the greatest Exposition ever held, but will also give to the world the only Fair to be ready on time.

As for the beautifying of the Exposition, it is only a question of putting the men at work. Every plan has been been marked off is being decorated made; all the preliminaries are com-



A FACADE OF THE LIBERAL ARTS PALACE, WORLD'S FAIR.

wares, and in many instances the proval of the most exacting critic, and wares themselves are being placed in it needs only the warm rains of spring

nies of soldiers are preparing for the mounting of the great rifled cannon that will make such a formidable display, and under supervision of men from the United States navy the deck of a modern warship is assuming interesting proportions.

Art hill shows the palace of stone and paintings and works of bronze and

No less forward are conditions on that interesting adjunct to this Universal Exposition, the Pike. All the large amusement buildings are practically complete, and within the walls now are stage carpenters, creators of illusions

with handsome interior homes where | pleted. The landscape gardeners have various exhibitors will display their laid out the grounds to meet the apto coax into bloom the seeds, bulbs and On Government hill several compa- plants that within a week can be placed in the soil. In like manner the color scheme for the palaces has been definitely arranged, so that painters have but to follow instructions, and almost within a fortnight the beautiful buildings will shine resplendent in the holiday coats that they will wear for

seven months, beginning April 30. Long ago electric wire cables were laid throughout the site, and now it is but a matter of attaching the hundreds of thousands of globes which will illuminate both the water and the air. so that at night the World's Fair City shall shine even more resplendent than during the day.

CLAUDE H. WETMORE.

A Swinburne Story.

Algernon Charles Swinburne, the poet, tells how when a schoolboy at Eton he found himself once in the same railway carriage with the head master, Dr. Goodford, who was grimly reading a newspaper. Mr. Swinburne's father, who did not know the peculiar shrinking of august head masters from strange parents, interfered with the reading by asking Dr. Goodford's opinion of Algernon Charles. "Now," continues Mr. Swinburne, "as a matter of fact Dr. Goodford had never set eyes on me and probably did not even know of my existence; but, enraged, I suppose, at my father's rather unconven tional interruption, which he no doubt considered a slight on his dignity, he glanced down at me with a scarlet face and said deliberately. Your boy, siryour boy is one of the very worst in school" and then intrenched himself once more behind his newspaper." It was no use for Algernon Charles to protest that Dr. Goodford did not even know him by sight. "Do ;ou think." retorted Swinburne senior, "that I am going to take your word before that of your head master?" So there were no junketings for Swinburne junior in the on grain, 4 on stocks and 5 on flax Christmas helidays.

Parnell's Eyes.

"Anent your allusion to the color of Parnell's eyes," writes a lady correspondent, "many years ago a young girl passed a man on the staircase of the Railway hotel, Westport, Ireland. There was tragedy written all over him. So uncommon were the man's eyes that they made clear to the girl a phrase in Shakespeare she had never before understood, 'Eyes like carbuncles.' The girl joined her friends and said, 'I have seen a man with eyes the color of a solid mounted carbuncle.' The late Captain Boycott, who was one of the party, said, 'Then you have seen Parnell, for he is the only man I know with eyes that answer to that, and it is not likely to be he, for if he were in this neighborhood he would be at Newport House.' The party traveled to Dublin by the evening's mail train. At Mullingar I arnell got into the same carriage and sat opposite the writer who wrote on the margin of the paper she was reading, 'The man I saw in the hotel,' and passed it to Captain Boycott, who returned it with the added words, 'It is Parnell.' "-London M.

A Welsh Legend. In Wales there is a legend of Irish smugglers who arrived at Llanddona many years ago in a boat without rud der or oars. They were looked upon, according to the Irish custom of sending malefactors to a sea doom in this plight, as outlaws. However, they had been allowed to land, and a spring of water bursting forth in the sand at the place was taken as a sign of their right to a refuge. But they ill repaid the Welsh. The men lived by smuggling, the women by witchcraft. It was not possible to evercome the smugglers in a fray, for each carried about with him a black fly tied in a knot of his kerchief, and the moment the knot was undone the fly flew at the eyes of the opponents and blinded them. If the Llanddona witches attended a market and bid for anything no one ventured to bid against them.

Provisions From Trees.

There is a tree which grows in Sumatra, Algeria and China which is known as the vegetable tallow tree. From its fruit large quantities of oil and tallow are extracted, and the fruit is gathered in November or December. when all the leaves have fallen. Excellent candles are made from the berries of a tree which grows in some parts of South Africa and the Azores.

At Sierra Leone is found the cream fruit tree, the fruit of which is very agreeable in taste. In Ceylon there is the breadfruit tree, from which a food is made in the same way that we make bread. It is said to be equally good and nutritious. In South America we find the milk tree.

The Barebone Family.

The celebrated name of Praise God Barebone was borne by a member of the Cromwell parliament called together after the dissolution of the Long parliament in 1653. The royalists called the assembly "Barebones' parliament." At the time when General Monk was in London Barebone headed the mob that presented a petition to parliament against the recall of Charles II. Of the Barebone family there were three brothers, each of whom had a sentence for a name-Praise God Barebone, Christ-came-into-the-world-to-save Barebone and If-Christ-had-not-died-thouhadst-been-damned Barebone.

Business View of Health. "Old fellow, you cught to eat more fruit. It's cheaper than paying doctor

"But I don't have to pay any doctor bills as it is. I am never sick." "That may be, but if you'd eat more

fruit you would be able to draw dividends on your health."-Chicago Trib-

Trying Them On.

"My new play is sure to make a hit," said the eminent actress. "It gives me an opportunity to show twenty superb gowns." "Gracious, how many scenes do you

appear in?" "Only five, but one of them's a scene at the dressmaker's."

Too Much For Him.

"They say that after seven rehearsals Charley Swimmington actually stumbled through the wedding ceremony." "Overtrained, I suppose."-Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It is useless to attempt to reason a man out of a thing he was never reasoned into .- Swift.

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